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AMERICA AND GERMANY.

NEW YORK, May 13.

A provision in the Republican peace resolution requesting President Wilson to negotiate with Germany for a separate treaty was struck out on the motion of Senator Lodge. The Senate will vote on May 15 on a resolution declaring the war ended.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.

Concluding the sitting of the Foreign Trade Convention a resolution was passed in favour of the return of American merchantmen to private ownership and operation. It was suggested that passenger ships should be used on the freight routes to South-America and on the Trans Pacific route.

AVIATION.

NEW YORK, May 16.

The Aerial Mail Transport Corporation announces it will begin in July a mail express line between New York and Chicago, which will be extended later to Omaha and San Francisco. The machines have been picked from the surplus of three thousand British aeroplanes left over from the war, which will eventually be replaced by American aeroplanes. The operating officials include Lieut.-Commander Bellinger, commander of N.C.J. in the first transoceanic flight by American seaplanes in May 1919.

SIR OLIVER LODGE.

NEW YORK, May 16.

Sir Oliver and Lady Lodge sailed aboard the "Celtic." Sir Oliver Lodge declared he was convinced that psychical research had a great future in the United States.

THE MASTER MIND.

NEW YORK, May 16.

Arnstern the alleged bank thief, who is said to have caused losses of over 23 million dollars to New York brokers and who mysteriously disappeared in March has been arrested. He is alleged to be the master mind of a widespread criminal system extending even into Canada. Arnstern is imprisoned as the \$75,000 bail demanded is not forthcoming.

REBEL LEADER CAPTURED.

SAN SALVADOR, May 16.

Honduran troops have captured Araujo, the rebel leader.

FRENCH SATISFIED.

LONDON, May 17.

The French papers regard the results of the Hythe conference between Millerand and Lloyd George as satisfactory.

FRENCH STRIKE OUTRAGES.

PARIS, May 17.

Two strike outrages are reported. An engine-driver who remained at work on the Nord line was fired at thrice and slightly injured by an unknown man who disappeared. A tram exploded a bomb which had been placed on the line. No damage was done.

KAISER MOVES.

LONDON, May 17.

The Times Amsterdam correspondent says the ex-Kaiser and his wife have removed to Doorn from Amerongen.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

LONDON, May 17.

The Times Washington correspondent says it is considered certain that the President will veto the peace resolution, which anyhow had the purely domestic object of enabling the republicans to meet electioneering charges that they were responsible for the continuance of the state of war.

SWISS AND THE L.O.N.

ZURICH, May 17.

A referendum, by a small majority, has resulted in favour of Switzerland's admission to the League of Nations.

The voting was 407,910 for, and 325,511 against, a majority of 82,399.

JEANNE CANONIZED AT ROME.

ROME, May 17.

The ceremony of canonisation of Joan of Arc takes place at Saint Peter's cathedral to-day.

IRISH REBELLION.

LONDON, May 17.

There were four hours of fierce rioting at Londonderry between Sinn Feiners and Unionists. A lot of revolver shots were fired. The police with bayonets charged the crowds. Sinn Feiners concealed behind wagons shot at the detectives, killing the chief city detective. Another police officer was injured. Two civilians were seriously hurt. A sergeant in county Kerry in a remarkable letter was warned that he would be shot by order of the Sinn Fein government because he was a diligent servant of the Crown. The letter ends with the names of recent policemen murdered. The nationalist candidates are withdrawing from council elections all over Ireland, excepting in the unionist counties, and giving the Sinn Feiners a walkover. This is owing to the intimidation of one nationalist who was recently raided, dragged out at midnight, and forced to retire from the elections.

RUBBING IT IN.

BERLIN, May 17.

With a view to preventing a repetition of the untoward incidents on the occasion of the evacuation of Frankfurt, the French demanded a number of hostages, including the government president Commandant, the chief burgomaster, and the police president, also a guarantee of a million marks.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

UNREST IN IRELAND.

LONDON, May 18th.

Mr. Dalton, a former prominent Sinn Feiner of Limerick, has been shot dead by a party of seven in an isolated part of the city. The volley wounded a baby girl, aged six. No arrests have been made. A Sinn Fein conference at Roscommon decided forcibly to renounce land considered to be not reasonably occupied, compensating the owners according to arbitration.

Large orders for barbed wire have been placed for a system of defences in Ireland.

THE WAR ON BOLSHEVISM.

LONDON, May 16th.

The unexplained silence of Moscow has been broken with an intercepted wireless requesting stations to resume listening in at the usual hours.

LONDON, May 15th.

Last night, three unimportant wireless messages were received from Russia, but none of them was from Moscow. Meanwhile, it is rumoured in French Socialist circles that the silence is due to political trouble. Moreover, General Brusiloff is endeavouring to overthrow the Soviet.

The Poles are continuing their advance southwards. It is expected that they would soon arrive at Odessa. The Bolsheviks, west of the Dnieper, are in full retreat.

HYTHE CONFERENCE.

BERLIN, May 15th.

According to the Frankfurter Zeitung, the Imperial cabinet composed of Ex-ministers and Ministers of the various States has unanimously agreed that the Government should not send representatives to Spa or Paris on May 15th for economic discussions, unless the French have withdrawn from Frankfurt and the Main region owing to the absence of the reason for continued occupation.

PARIS, May 15th.

A Havas message says:—

A Note issued in Paris last night states that as the German forces in the neutral zone will soon conform to the number authorized by the resolution of August 8th, 1919, Marshal Foch has asked General Degoutte to send an officer to Cassel to arrange with the German Commander there for the evacuation of French troops from the zone occupied since April 6th.

COAL FOR FRANCE.

LONDON, May 16th.

The British and French Coal Controllers at the Hythe Conference have come to an arrangement ensuring France a minimum coal supply equivalent to that which France has been obtaining during the past eight months; also, that France will take 45 per cent. of Britain's coal exports. Regulations will be made whereby each of the coal-producing areas will contribute its proper quota to the percentage, thereby enabling freightage economies by France.

ITALIAN CABINET.

LONDON, May 15th.

The Times Milan correspondent says Signor Bonomi, the former Minister for War, has been requested to form a Cabinet.

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, May 16th.

At Burroughes Hall in the final heat of the billiards championship the result was: Smith, 16,000; Falkner, 14,600.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, May 16th.

Oxford beat Middlesex by 139 runs.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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ITALIAN AIRMAN MISSING.

PEKING, May 18.

The Italian airman, Masiero, who left Tsingtau at 11 o'clock this morning has not arrived in Peking. It is believed that he was forced to land.

CABINET DECLINES TO DISCUSS SHANTUNG QUESTION.

PEKING, May 18.

The Cabinet to-day decided to reply to Mr. Ota's letter—urging the opening of direct negotiations regarding the return of Kiaochow—declining to enter into negotiations on the subject.

FERRARIN PETED.

PEKING, May 18.

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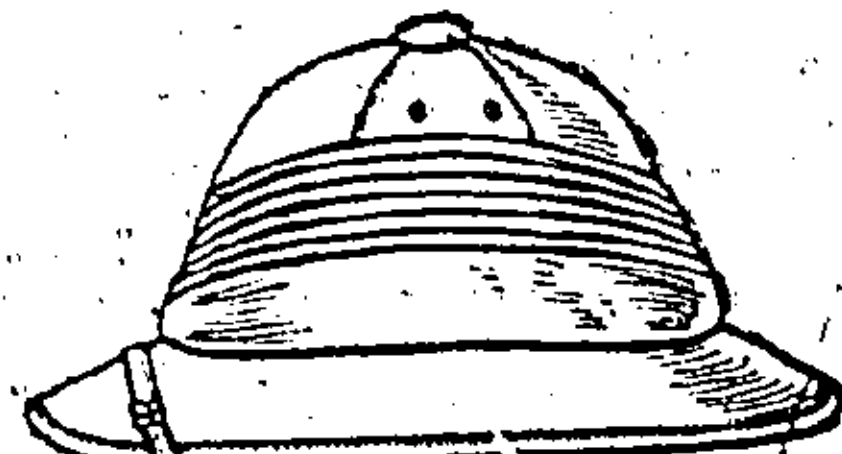
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21 cases Pearl Barley,
150 cases American Bar Soap,
30 " Washing Soap,
4 " Marmalade Jam,
4 " Fine Apples,
3 " Sliced Pine Apples,
190 tins Dye Stuff,
5 cases Pickles,
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The sixty-sixth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China was held in London, on April 9, Sir Montagu Cornish Turner (the chairman) presiding.

The Chairman said: I have to apologise for the absence of my co-director, Mr. W. H. N. Goschen, to day. He is taking a well-deserved holiday after some very arduous work during the past few months. I am sure we all congratulate Mr. or, as he is now, Sir William Henry Neville Goschen, on the honour bestowed upon him by His Majesty the King in recognition of the extraordinarily good work he has done during the war, and also lately as Chairman of the Bankers' Clearing House Committee. It is an honour which he has well earned. Before moving the adoption of the report I would draw your attention to the statement of accounts for the year 1919, which shows that there is now a paid-up capital of £2,000,000, in 100,000 shares of £20 each, and a reserve fund of £2,900,000, which, if the recommendations of the Court of Directors are approved of to-day, will amount to £3,000,000. This may be considered a highly satisfactory position, but of course, it is always capable of betterment. You will also notice that in nearly every item of the balance sheet there is a marked increase.

In current and other accounts we have an increase of nearly £1,000,000; fixed deposits are larger by £2,600,000; acceptances are double; loans payable are by almost 100 per cent; and cash increased, and at bankers' shows an increase of £4,600,000. Improved conditions on either side of the world show an increase in the balance sheet over the figures for 1918. Looking at the last six months, the capital had been £2,000,000, and the reserve fund £2,900,000. In 1920 the capital stands at £2,000,000, and the reserve at £2,900,000. The progress has been steady and consistent, and it is very gratifying to see the possibilities of fresh business and always desirous of meeting our customers' requirements and of treating old friends with all possible consideration, I have no doubt that in the years to come the business of this bank will extend and the reports will show equally gratifying results.

A PERIOD OF UNUSUAL ANXIETY.

There is, of course, the possibility of a setback in trade after the urgent and immediate world-wide demands for raw material and manufactured goods have been met. The political situation all the world over, and especially in Central Europe, is unsettled. High prices of foodstuffs have caused general discontent, and the demands of the wage earners are apparently still unsatisfied, so that the immediate horizon is somewhat gloomy, and the top-heavy prices of raw material, such as cotton, and manufactured goods, are a menace to bankers and to traders alike. We may have troublous times ahead, but, in spite of all, I look forward with confidence to the future if all classes, especially in this country, unite to deal fairly and squarely with each other. Touching the results shown for the past year, I am confident that shareholders will fully appreciate the excellent services rendered by the staff, both at home and abroad, whose loyal and devoted labours have contributed so appreciably to the success we have won. For the managers, especially those at head offices, it has been a period of unusual anxiety and harassment. The unprecedented fluctuations in the price of silver and gold have been very remarkable, and the volume of business which fell to the lot of this bank in connection with the financing of exports, raw material, foodstuffs, etc., required for national purposes, has been far above the average, and the demands on the resources of the bank have been at every point far in excess of the ordinary. During 1919 the price of silver rose from 47½d. per oz. to 79½d. per oz., a rise of 65.70 per cent, and gold, when the restrictions on its movements were withdrawn in the fall of the year, commanded a premium of 43 per cent.

EXCHANGE DIFFICULTIES.

Of course, in other parts of the world, not only in the East, the fluctuations in exchange have been extraordinary. The Hongkong dollar, the Chinese tael, and the Indian rupee have all been jumping about, so that you never know where to catch them. Look at the American exchange, which even to-day shows that the dollar is worth over 5s. compared with its ordinary value of about 4s. Look at France, where the franc is worth a little over 4d., Germany with a mark worth 1d., not quite that—and Italy, with the lira at 2½d. Of course, Austria is simply unquotable; her current coin is worth less than 1d. I mention these facts to show you the difficulties that exchange bankers have to contend with and the absurdity of people thinking that exchange banking means simply coming money; it is very often the reverse. In connection to this we have other difficulties. There was the uncertainty as to the ultimate standard, the rupee measured in gold on the report of the Babington-Currency Commission.

Further cause of trouble has been the very serious delay in the transmission and receipt of cable messages. In some instances ordinary telegrams between India and the Far East and this country have occupied fourteen days in transmission, and the average has been about seven days. The loss to the mercantile community, including the banks, owing to these deplorable delays, can scarcely be estimated. I am glad to say that within the last few days there has been an improvement, and we are getting messages through more quickly. The report and recommendations of the Currency Commission, to which I have already alluded, have, on the whole, met with general approval. Some of us may have had our views as to the desirability of fixing the standard value of the rupee at a figure somewhat lower than that recommended by the Commission, but the reasons given in the Report in favour of the 2s. rupee are fairly convincing. The ultimate decision has been arrived at, I fully believe, with all due and sincere regard for the interests of India as a whole. The most important object in which we bankers are concerned is the stability of the rate of exchange. A fluctuating value causes endless trouble and anxiety, and is a source of speculative and unsound trade. The decision to give the Government of India a free hand in the offer of reverse councils in India is sound, and there can be no doubt as to the wisdom of the Committee in insisting upon the convertibility of the note throughout India and in the free import and export of the precious metals.

INDIAN BANKING DEVELOPMENTS.

The proposal for amalgamating the Presidency banks in India under the title of the Imperial Bank of India is one that has attracted a considerable amount of attention. While regretting the partial disappearance of the individuality of the Presidency banks, it seems to me that the movement for amalgamation is fully justified and is unlikely to be prejudicial to the interests of exchange banks in India, always provided that the present intention of not competing with the exchange banks in their ordinary business of exchange banking is fully and honestly adhered to. The Presidency banks have always been the bankers of the exchange banks. The utmost good feeling and goodwill will have prevailed, and I should greatly regret to see any interference with the harmonious working between the Presidency and the exchange banks. I notice that one of the conditions of the setting up of the Imperial Bank is the opening of a large number of sub-branches in various parts of India. Any measure which tends to encourage the development of banking in India, the attracting of deposits from the public at large, and the gradual cessation of that unsatisfactory system of hoarding—can only be

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(Removed to Sales Rooms for
Convenience of Sale),
comprising:—
Pair Teak White Enamelled Twin
Beds and Hair Mattresses, Chesterfield
Sofa, Velvet Pile Carpet, Small Gramo-
phone and 70 Records.

Also
5 Cases Devonshire Cyder
(only just arrived).

And
A large quantity of Boundary Netting
for TENNIS COURT.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 18, 1920.

(for account of the concerned),
on

FRIDAY,
May 21, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

Four Pedigree Fox Terrier Pups,
(about 7 weeks old).

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

(for account of the concerned),
on

FRIDAY,
May 21, 1920, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des
Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

One Australian Pointer Bitch.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

TAIYO & CO.
(JAPANESE)
BOOTS AND SHOES
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INTIMATIONS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 47th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Society will be held
at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 21st May, 1920, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with
the Statements of Account to 31st
December, 1919, and of declaring
Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Society will be CLOSED from 8th
May to 21st May, both days inclu-
sive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 51st ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be
held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4,
Queen's Buildings, on FRIDAY, 21st
MAY, 1920, at 12.30 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with the State-
ments of Account to 31st December
1919, and of declaring Dividends,
etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
8th May to 21st May, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 54th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be
held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4,
Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 21st MAY, 1920, at 12.45
p.m., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with
the Statements of Account to 31st
December, 1919, and of declaring
Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
8th May to 21st May, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Deputy General Manager.
Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING will be held at
the Company's Offices, St. George's
Buildings, on SATURDAY, 22nd May,
1920, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose
of presenting the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of Account
to 29th February, 1920, and electing
Directors and Auditors. The TRANS-
FER BOOKS of the Company will be
CLOSED from the 15th to the 22nd
May, 1920, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, May 4, 1920.

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CALDBECK, MACGREGOR &
CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the business formerly
carried on under the name of

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,
in China, Hongkong, the Straits Settle-
ments and the Federated Malay States
has been converted into a Private
Limited Liability Company and incor-
porated under the Companies Ordinance
(Hongkong) and the China
(Companies) Orders in Council and is
taking over the business heretofore
carried on by Caldbeck, Macgregor &
Co. in China, Hongkong, the Straits
Settlements and the Federated Malay
States.

The Registered and Head Offices of
the Company are situated at No. 4,
Fookchow Road, Shanghai.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR &
CO., LTD.
May 18, 1920.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

THE MISSES de VINE and TERRY
SOCIETY ENTERTAINERS

will introduce
HARMONY and SONG
at the usual

TEA DANCING and DINNER
DANCE
to be held

TO-DAY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19th

on
SATURDAY, MAY 22nd

and
WHIT MONDAY, MAY 24th

SUNDAY, MAY 23rd
ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS
during
Tiffin and Afternoon.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By Order of the Mortgagees

MESSRS. LAMBERT BROTHERS
have received instructions to sell
by Public Auction

on
SATURDAY

the 22nd day of May, 1920, at 12
o'clock noon, at their Salesroom in
Duddell Street, Victoria,
Hong Kong.

The Steamship "WING ON"
(late of the Hong Kong & Canton
run) now lying off Yamatidai in the
Harbour of Hong Kong together with
all the furniture, stores, equipment and
appurtenances now on board

IN ONE LOT.
The ship is registered in Hong Kong
and her tonnage and dimensions are as
follows:—

Gross Tonnage 834.75
Registered Tonnage 456.46
Length 193 ft.
Main Breadth 33 ft.
Depth 11.75

For further particulars and conditions
of sale please apply to
Messrs. DEACON LOOKER
DEACON & HARTON,
Vendor's Solicitors,
or to
Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,
The Auctioneers.

FOR SALE.

One Complete Set of 25 Volumes
ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA
(Never been used).

Apply
LAMBERT BROS.,
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WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS.
\$1. PREPAID.
Every additional word & Cent
for 3 insertions.

TO LET.
To LET—Furnished "Ava House"
May Road. Apply to The
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency
Co., Ltd.

TO LET.
To LET—A SHOP in Nathan Road,
T. Kowloon.
Apply to Humphreys Estate & Finance
Co., Ltd., Alexandra Buildings.

WANTED.
WANTED—To Purchase a setter
or Pointer PUP (dog) apply
1183 c/o "China Mail."

WANTED.
WANTED—YOUNG AMERICAN,
at present in Shanghai, desires a
position in Hongkong. Has over 10
years' mercantile experience in China
and is thoroughly conversant with the
Import and Export trade, Accounting,
Correspondence, Shipping and Insur-
ance Work. Can speak several Chinese
dialects fluently, including Cantonese.
No objection to travelling. Commencing
salary required, \$450.00 per mensem.
Apply Box No. 1196, c/o "China Mail."

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.
TOYO KISEN KAISEI.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"TENYO MARU"
From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONO-
LULU, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

The above named Steamer having
arrived Sunday, morning 16th inst., con-
signees of cargo are hereby notified
to present their Bills of Lading for counter-
signatures, and take immediate delivery
from alongside steamer or the Company's
Godown, where all cargo impeding im-
mediate discharge will be landed at
consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on
cargo remaining undelivered after
Monday, 24th inst.

All broken, chafed and damaged pack-
ages will be landed into the Company's
Godown, where they will be examined on
Tuesday, 24th inst. at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after
goods have been landed at the Godown, and
none will be entertained if presented
later than three weeks after arrival
of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO,
LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship
"BENMOHR,"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of
the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., whences and/or
from the wharves delivery may be
obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
24th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the Undersigned
on or before the 31st inst. or they
will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
24th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, May 18, 1920.

HAVE YOU A BABY?
If so, you will be interested to know of "LACTOGEN," the safest and
most satisfactory substitute for Mother's Milk. Made from pure rich,
fresh milk by a special process which renders the product and milk fat
identical with human milk in composition and digestibility.

If your Baby is not thriving try
LACTOGEN
The NATURAL MILK Food

Invaluable as a food for Mother too. It increases the flow and improves
the quality of the natural milk.

Ask your Chemist for a Free Copy of the Lactogen Baby Book.

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Telephone 314, 1123 & 1122.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

(Continued from Page 2.)
for the good of India, both for the
individual and for the State. We
wish the Imperial Bank a successful
career, fully confident that there is
ample scope in India, both for the
semi-State bank and for the British
exchange banks. Mr. J. M. C.
Frophit has been elected by the Court
of Directors a member of the board.
Mr. Frophit, for many years past,
has not only been connected with
one of the most important firms in
Calcutta, but at one time he was
President of the Bank of Bengal,
and he has always taken a very keen
interest in the development of bank-
ing facilities in India. I can confidently
recommend his election for your
approval.

ADDING TO RESERVES.
I need not dwell at length on the
recommendations of the directors
contained in the report. There can
be no doubt whatever that as long as
circumstances permit we should add
to our reserves. The superannuation
fund must also be maintained, and
the extra amount earmarked for
premises account is fully justified
when we bear in mind the necessity
for providing increased accommoda-
tion and the opening out of new
branches, which entails in many cases
the purchases of sites as well as the
building of premises. In conclusion
I desire to express the thanks of the
directors to the staff, both home and
foreign, for the splendid manner in
which they have worked during the
past year. Our appreciation has
been marked by the granting of
bonuses and of an improved scale
of pay to meet the greatly in-
creased cost of living. We know
what the strain must have been. We
know that the extra time and
increased work have been cheerfully
given, and especially we thank the
managers at head office for the
unwearied attention they have given
to the general management of the
bank.

With those remarks I beg to
move: "That the report now pre-
sented, together with the balance
sheet and profit and loss account, be
approved and adopted." (Applause.)

Sir Alfred Dent, K.C.M.G., I have
much pleasure in seconding the pro-
posal put before you by our
Chairman.

Mr. Frederick Tomkinson: Mr.
Chairman, I should like to mention,
if I may, a point which I had the
temerity to bring before you two
years ago. It is one which I should
like to go forth, and I am rather
sorry you did not mention it in your
speech. It is that the total dividend
of 20½ p.c. now being paid is not
earned only on the capital of
£2,000,000, but it is earned on the
reserve as well. Consequently the
capital has earned something like 8
p.c. and the reserve about 12 p.c.
I think that is about the proportion,
and it is well that it should go forth,
because not only here but in the
colonies and other places we are
reproached with paying enormous
dividends. It may be within the
knowledge of most of you—certainly
it is within the knowledge of some
of the gentlemen I see on the board—that a bank equal in magnitude
and success to our own has lately
thought it advisable to capitalise a
small portion—£500,000—of its re-
serves. For my part I think it was
a very wise conclusion to come to.
The board, I know, were considering
it for some time before they finally
decided upon that course. I believe
our chairman does not quite
agree with me. I know it is
necessary for a bank to have
very large reserves, but you will find
that the trend of opinion to-day is to
capitalise some of those reserves, in
order not to wrap up the profits, and
that a false notion should not get
abroad, especially in these ultra-
democratic days, of what the pro-
prietors are making.

The Chairman: I purposely did
not refer in my speech to-day to the
matter which Mr. Tomkinson has
brought to our notice—in regard to
the dividend being not only on the
capital but also on the reserve—
because I pointed that out last year,
and I thought you might consider me
a bit stale if I repeated some of the
remarks which I made on that
occasion. As to capitalising reserves,
that, of course, is quite the fashion
nowadays, and perhaps Mr. Tomkin-
son thinks we ought not to be out of
the fashion. It is a practice
that has its merits, but it
also has considerable demerits, and
before such a policy is adopted here
it will require very careful considera-
tion at the hands of the board. That
consideration will be given. It has
been given in the past, and the pro-
posal has been rejected.

Mr. Robert F. Banks: Mr. Chair-
man, as the adoption of the report
and balance sheet has been moved
and seconded by members of the
board, perhaps it would be as well
that I, as a shareholder quite un-
acquainted with any member of
the board, should express my ap-
preciation on the way in which the
business has evidently been con-
ducted during the past year. I am quite
sure it must have been a period of
very great anxiety to the members of
of the board, as well as to

TEL. 616.

EXCELLENT RANGE TO
CHOOSE FROM.

EDUCATION AT HOME.

Mr. Fisher recognizes the evil of the dual system in preparatory schools, but he does not boldly attack it as the right end, and propose really to nationalize elementary education, by excluding sectarian meddling altogether. He does propose that the non-provided or voluntary school should disappear, which is right, because the varying standards of efficiency so caused have been a handicap. But he proposes to impose "religious teaching" in all the schools, by "experts," which is wrong. There are no experts in religion. Nobody really knows enough about it to teach it. A horde of "specialists" would doubtless at once appear; but we should at once find ourselves back in the old and aggravated quarrels of sectarianism, in which the blind call other blind ones hard names, while unsophisticated youth listens and wonders and doubts and is not edified. Mr. Fisher's proposal that in exchange for taking over the voluntary premises (which the government can do without) the local education authority should make provision in all public elementary schools for religious observance and instruction, to be given in school hours by teachers unqualified by training, is reactionary. Mr. Fisher's desire for unification, which we share, would be dearer

We are fully and painfully aware that in pointing out our educational history and position in this plain and outspoken way we expose ourselves to the charge by narrow-minded and quite thoughtless persons that our sympathies are irreligious. We repudiate this as a superficial and unfounded criticism. It is because we realize, after years of interested observation and experience, that these so-called religious wmgings are essentially irreligious, that we deplore and object to them. Our protest has a twofold motive. It is concerned for the best interests of education, and it is concerned for the true interests of religion. In advising a complete rationalization and secularization of organized education we claim to be more honestly and purely religion-minded than the sectarian zealots

which here has never been at
never can be any agreement? It
not fair to the religion. It really
not The religion they need is
religion that will not be questioned
When religiousists question each
other's religions, as they are con-
stantly doing, the effect on the
generous mind is a swift and deep
doubt of the truth of all religion.
It cannot, until after long and so-
liday travel, hit upon the idea that
must be some truth in all of them.
Lucky for it then if I have retained
some such sheet-anchor as the
Golden Rule (so-called "supreme
rule of Confucius), as a guide
conduct and a principle of ethics.
Politically there is a special danger
of which in the *British Weekly* the
Cambridge Public Orator has warn-
ed us. Behind this new agitation
it is rightly or wrongly suspected
that the "High" section of the
Anglican Church has been movin-
g. Dr. Glover says "there are clerics
of my acquaintance whose influ-
ence over children could not be too
widely spread, and would only be ben-
eficial. But there are others, as
persons men, too, who would use
the new opportunity to push confession-
alism as they are doing everywhere."
We British will not tolerate that.
It costs us too much to get rid of

There is one thing about divinity, law that is superior to the human. It is a way has regard for the common weal, for the greater good of the greater numbers. It has an eye to them that are wretched and heavy laden, for them that labour and are oppressed. The political effects, or the effects upon society of such withholdings are well understood by us here in Hongkong. Have we not recently had our riots, our crises in which many poor people died from stomach troubles. They were murdered by the rice gamblers. Hungry men rioted, and died under the law. They were victims of the rice gamblers, the wielders of coats, whose conduct was equivalent to the bearing of John witness against them. There were strikes, due to the higher cost of living, chiefly due to wheat-holders. So the people still curse them, in the direction of God, who is not merciful.

In human law there is such an offence as aiding and abetting, and it may be the divine law will regard as sinful any authority or government that does not use it.

A PARENT'S DUTY.

YOUR boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right is no sign they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and hemorrhoids is too dangerous a disease to risk. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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The exquisite art of Japan numl

KINEMA NOTES

screened at the Hongkong Theatre at the matinee and evening performances from to-day until Friday. It is entitled "The Share" and features Violet Hopson, who is one of the leading stars on English filmdom. She is a very popular and convincing actress.

The serial film is still being shown at the 7.15 performances, the 8th and 9th episodes now occupying the screen. The programme at this theatre this week is sure to be found entertaining and good business is anticipated by the management.

WEY NO CHARGE LODGED T

A British sailor called at the No. 2 Police Station one night last week (9th inst.) and reported to Sergeant Shaftain, who was on duty in the Charge Room, that he had been robbed of a \$1 note, at the Royal Naval Cantonment, and that he was sure the bar-boy had it. The Sergeant went with the sailor to recover his money. Arrived at the Canteen, the Sergeant was very much surprised when, instead of being given every assistance in the execution of his duty, as he was quite justified in expecting, he was received with hostility by the Europeans there, who abused him in front of the gringing Chinese servants; generally making him lose face. The Sergeant at first tried to explain his business, but he was not listened to. Eventually, seeing the futility of attempting to talk common sense with such a rowdy crowd, the Sergeant backed towards the door with the intention of going for assistance. One of the rowdies anticipated this move and locked the Canteen door, thus committing the serious crime of imprisoning a servant of the Crown! It might be stated at this juncture that there could be no possible excuse for the men did not know the Sergeant was a Police Officer, because he was wearing his uniform at the time. The crowding indignity the Officer had to suffer, was when, after the door had been locked, and he was entirely at the mercy of his captors, they took away his service revolver. His captors did everything to make him lose his temper and show signs so that they could have an excuse for setting upon him, but the Sergeant very wisely decided to do nothing of the sort. It is difficult to say what might have happened to Sergeant Shaftain but for the timely arrival of Sergeant McFall, who, feeling anxious at the comrade's long absence from the Charge Room, went out in search for him. It was not until Sergeant McFall had gone back for reinforcements and the Canteen door forced open, that Sergeant Shaftain was released, and the rowdies rounded up and removed to the Station. The most disgraceful part of the whole affair, and one which being more unfortunate, and more outrageous than the Chinese bar-boys Court of Enquiry. The offence is a serious one. It amounts to a wilful obstruction of a Police Officer in the performance of his duty. The manager of the Canteen is thereby blamed. If the story be right, a protest against one law for Europeans and another for Asiatics. Had the outrage been committed by Chinese they would have been tried by Magistrate and severely dealt with. Why, because, Europeans are concerned in it, should this affair be hushed up, and dealt with privately? Justice cannot be served in that way. The result of the "Court of Enquiry" held on Friday, is not yet known.

TENNIS FINAL

CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT:

All told, Townsend, did not look like one of the champion class at any time during the match, but Lo, although not tempted to do his best by the opposition, displayed considerable form, and will probably give a close rub to the champion Ng Sze Kwong in the challenge round.

To-day, Wednesday, Capt. Olliver meets F. A. Redmond in the Club Handicap Singles, and to-morrow the final of the Doubles' Championship takes place.

KINEMA NOTES

screened at the Hongkong Theatre at the matinee and evening performances from to-day until Friday. It is entitled "The Share" and features Violet Hopson, who is one of the leading stars on English filmdom. She is a very popular and convincing actress.

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RICE RUMOURS.

A big factor in rice speculation is the exchange at present, and rice dealers to-day are of the speculative kind. The high priced stocks still on hand in America and in Cuba bar purchases of rice from that end, rice here being lower in value. There are said to be practically no movements in rice at present.

A prominent rice merchant of Hongkong said, when interviewed, this morning: "At present there is absolutely no demand, either from San Francisco, or from Cuba, for rice. A certain well known rice firm received a cable from Havana, within the last 10 days, informing them that 1,250,000 bags of rice were on the ocean en route to Cuba. Some of this was sold cargo, and the fast consignments stocks. With all that cargo afloat, 100,000 tons, there will not be much demand from Cuba."

At present rice is around \$11 per picul, but some local dealers, to get rid of stocks, will sell for less than that. Hongkong stocks must be turned over fast. Storage facilities are not abundant here, and, rice, in a climate such as this may be classed as a semi-perishable. A great many rice dealers here are on paper, only, the stocks being held in Saigon, with options being taken here when business looks good.

Inquiries are coming from Europe to Hongkong, and recently, I am given to understand, one of the firms here received information from San Francisco that cargo could be taken up to about 50,000 tons, for Hamburg and Danzig, Germany, where there is a dearth of food supplies of all descriptions. There is, I believe, a good demand for rice from Europe and the Mediterranean, but those countries usually buy Rangoon rice. They are not familiar with the Saigon product.

There is a possibility that some Saigon rice may be sold to Europe, if the Rangoon product is not sufficient to meet the demand.

When looking up rice matters some time ago, one of the representatives of the China Mail brought in the report, which was then more or less ridiculed by Hongkong rice merchants, that the direct buying of America from Saigon, would have a morbid influence on the Hongkong market. Our informant of to-day, lends colour to this prediction when he says:

"The buying-from-Saigon-direct idea, was pool-pooled in this market a couple of months ago, but some of the people who did the pool-pooling, were very badly hurt by it recently. The buying from Saigon direct is being chiefly done by America, but I don't think it will be permanent, as I believe that the rice going from Saigon is not up to the Hongkong Standard. If that is the case, it will be a matter of a short time before the American and Cuban houses will realize it."

Certain big rice houses in this Colony are being very badly hurt at present on account of claims coming against them from the other end, running, in some instances, into many lakhs of dollars. The cause of the claims is that the rice is not up to standard. When the rice market was short some time ago, and the demand from America very great, some cargoes of Usual were sold as being Siam Usual, and the difference was of course detected in America, the claims being the result. Some of the losers on rice, are recouping by the lucky upward turn of sugar.

Burthis is a slack time for rice in any event, September to March being the busy rice dealing season. Some losses, of course, have occurred on account of sheer speculation with the exchange as a basis. In such cases, however, the deal is purely a gamble, the rice being merely counters in the game. Aside from that, however, many lost on account of buying forward at a time when rice was high and looked as if it were going higher. There are firms here who now have thousands of tons on their hands, not dreaming that the price would take the tumble it has. A great deal of this cargo was bought at \$15 to \$15.50 per picul. Place that against the \$11 price of to-day and you can readily see how they stand with thousands of bags involved. In one instance, a loss was caused by a whole cargo being rejected in America.

Rice is sold from Hongkong, by reputable houses, subject to the certificate of the surveyor appointed by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce. If passed by him you may take it for granted that the rice is O.K. The question which occurs to dealers here is, "Is Saigon cargo up to the Hongkong standard?"

"In the past American importers of rice left, all transactions in the hands of their agents out here, but now they are sending men out, and these are visiting all rice handling centres. One I know of, most evidently has found that it was folly for his firm to buy through Hongkong, for he left here six months ago for Saigon and is still there. Of course, the Americans would be very foolish to buy their rice in Hongkong if they can get the same quality in Saigon direct. But it must be remembered that Hongkong has been the handler of Saigon rice for many years, and has learned something of the rice business during

IMPORTANT CASE.

"SET A THIEF TO CATCH A THIEF."

A case of considerable importance to godown keepers was heard by Mr. R. O. Hutchison yesterday. "Li Shim, the owner of a godown at 187 Connaught Road West, was charged under Sect 3 subsection 3 of the Summary Offences Ordinance as the "occupier" of the godown for causing an obstruction by having 59 bags of sugar on the pavement. Inspector Willis conducted the case for the Police and Mr. Leo Longinotto appeared for the defence. It is interesting to note that this is the first time Mr. Longinotto, Assistant Crown Solicitor, has appeared against the Police.

Evidence was led that although the defendant was the occupier of the godown, he had no goods there, but merely let warehouse space to various people charging a few cents a picul for the goods stored there, the handling of the goods being done by the tenants. Mr. Leo Longinotto contended that a conviction could not be against the defendant, as although he might be held to be the occupier, the proper person to be charged under Subsection 3 would be the actual offender that would mean the person who actually put or left the sugar on the pavement. Mr. Leo Longinotto pointed out to the court that Subsection 1 of Section 3 had been amended by Section 19 of the Summary Offences Amendment Ordinance 1918. This amendment rendered the occupier liable as well as the actual offender for offences under that subsection. Had it been the intention of the legislature to render the "occupier" liable under Subsection 3 one would expect this subsection to have been amended also. Whatever the intention may have been, a necessity for amendment existed with regard to subsection 3 to render the "occupier" liable, it is clear therefore that until such amendment the actual offender and not the "occupier," is the person liable under Subsection 3.

Inspector Willis stated that the Police had always charged the occupier and secured conviction under Subsection 3. Mr. Leo Longinotto replied that this was undoubtedly owing to the fact that the legal position under the Ordinance had not been raised before. Mr. R. O. Hutchison said that in view of the importance of the case he would require time to consider the matter and that he would give a written judgment on the point raised by the defence.

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HONGKONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Football League was held at the R.G.A. Sergeant's Mess last evening. Mr. R. J. Wilton presided, and representatives of the different Football Clubs were present. The balance at the credit of the League, after paying for all expenses, amounted to \$253.76. Office bearers for the coming season were then elected, the ballot resulting as follows: President: Mr. R. J. Wilton; Vice-President: Master-Gunner May; Management Committee: Messrs. M. L. Ralston, R. H. B. Mitchell, Wong, Smith and Chief Stoker Masters.

Master-Gunner May suggested that the time had arrived for the formation of a third division of the League, to give the students a chance of training in football. The only difficulty, he said, was the scarcity of grounds. Mr. Ralston proposed that the matter be left to the Committee, and this was agreed upon.

ASSOCIATION MEETING. A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association followed, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak presiding. The following office bearers were elected: President: Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak; Vice-President: Commander Kilgour and Mr. W. Nicholson; Councillors: Messrs. Wilson, and McTavish, and Major Timmis; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. J. Ralston; Referees' Board: Messrs. McCubbin, A. T. Hamilton, R. H. B. Mitchell, Master-Gunner May and Chief Stoker Masters; Secretary of Referees' Board: Master-Gunner May.

The meeting then discussed the question of obtaining more grounds, and it was generally agreed to that the Government should be approached with a view to getting grounds in Sokumpoo Valley and Kowloon. This being all the business, the meeting terminated.

At time which, perhaps, Saigon does not practise. Should Saigon spring up as a rice shipping port, of course, it would be nec. ary for Hongkong dealers to transfer their activities to that port. One reason why Saigon rice has been passed through Hongkong is that the crop owners and financial interests were Hongkong people.

As far as forecasting on rice is concerned, so many factors enter into the matter that predictions would be foolish. The situation may change over night.

CUSTOMS PENSION SCHEME.

The China Mail learns that a new scheme of pensions for employees in the Chinese Maritime Customs has been introduced with effect from January 1 of this year. Under this scheme retirement is made compulsory for foreign and Chinese employees upon attaining the age of 60 and completing 40 years' service, although the Inspector General has power to suspend this rule if in his opinion its operation in any particular case would be detrimental to the interests of the service. The superannuation benefits and deductions from pay will be based on rates of substantive pay, but monthly substantive pay in excess of H.K. \$1,000 will not entitle increased benefits or call for increased deduction. A deduction from pay will be made compulsory for those entering the service in future, but is optional for the present staff. Present employees who do not desire to come under the contributory scheme will on superannuation receive only the service annuity benefit. The benefits a foreign employee is entitled to on superannuation are an annuity in gold from service funds equal to one-fourth of his final salary at exchange 3s 4d and a sum in silver derived from previous compulsory deductions from his pay and approximately equivalent to the capital required to purchase a further annuity of equal amount. A Chinese employee on superannuation will receive a sum equivalent to the capital required to purchase an annuity in silver equal to one-half his final salary to be derived from service fund and half from previous compulsory deductions from his pay. This means in effect that the employees retire on half pay. The scheme applies also to men invalided out of the service by a Medical Board. In the event of the death of an employee the sum accrued from the compulsory deductions from pay, plus such a service make-up as will with that sum suffice to purchase an annuity one-fourth final salary less deduction for years short served at the age of the deceased, will be paid to the family, and an employee on resignation will receive his contribution from pay with the accrued interest. The same applies with regard to an employee discharged, but should the revenue or the service funds have sustained any loss owing to his dishonesty, malfeasance, etc., the amount of the loss will be deducted. The issue of any service benefit will be at the discretion of the Inspector General.

The new scheme is designed to overcome the difficulties formerly encountered in reconciling the conflicting interests of the seniors and juniors and present and future employees. The scheme now adopted applies in full force to new entrants but is modified in favour of present employees in a degree which varies with their length of service. For new entrants contribution of pay is compulsory but for the present staff it is optional. The advantage derived from Service make-up constantly increases with seniority until it practically takes the place of personal contributions in the case of those whose superannuation is imminent. The amount to be deducted from the pay of those who elect to make a voluntary contribution is 6 per cent of their substantive pay.

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FIRE AT ST. DUNSTON'S.

EXCITING INCIDENT.

BLIND EX-SOLDIERS LED TO SAFETY.

A serious fire broke out in the early hours of March 26, at the College Annex of St. Dunstan's Hostel for Blind Ex-Soldiers, Regent's Park.

The building, which stands in its own grounds, contains about 30 rooms. The outbreak started on the first floor and soon obtained a strong hold. The cracking of the wood first aroused the sleeping inmates, but the whole place was soon filled with densely suffocating smoke.

Steps were immediately taken to secure the safety of everyone and to call the fire brigade. Special precautions had been taken in the establishment, and there is a special fire telephone communicating with the Edgware-road fire station.

Fire drill has been made the subject of special drill, and with great coolness every portion of the "drill" was carried out in the face of danger.

The attendants, aroused suddenly from their sleep to grave danger (for the first floor was well ablaze), proceeded to their allotted posts and carried out their prescribed duties. Everybody got out of the building without injury.

The V.A.D. sisters, all voluntary workers led the blind men, about 150 in number, from the wards. The sisters showed great coolness and the discipline of the men was admirable.

There was one very exciting incident, however. When the motor fire escape from Edgware-road dashed up, a woman's figure was seen at the upper windows, clad only in night attire, and appealing desperately for help.

Clouds of smoke were rolling up round the windows, and the fire beneath was gaining ground. She had essayed to escape by the ordinary means, but had been driven back by the smoke.

Without the loss of a second the firemen got the motor escape into position, while others held the flames in check with a hydrant, and brought the terrified woman safely down amidst the cheers of the onlookers.

By this time a "district call" had brought up 120 firemen with 15 appliances, and the appliances were got to work so promptly that the flames were overcome in an hour.

The first floor, however, was practically destroyed, and other serious damage caused.

SOMEWHAT PUBLIC.

CHANGING IN A TAXI.

"If you are late for an evening engagement," says a young friend of mine, "endeavour to change into evening dress in a taxi?" One night he was going to a dance with a friend at whose flat he had intended to change. Delayed in town, he realised he had left it rather late, and, in terror of his friend's wrath, decided to risk changing in his taxi. Seated on the floor covered with his overcoat, he proceeded to wriggle out of one set of clothes and into the other. For all his undoubted sangfroid he was unpleasantly conscious of the while, that interested spectators could look—and were looking—right into his dressing-room from the tops of passing buses. There was one terrible moment—at a most critical stage of the evolutions too—when the taxi was pulled up in a traffic jam. A white shirt is not easily camouflaged when one has to change into it in so limited a space as the bottom of a taxi. A small boy who was perched aloft on the back of a cart chorused noisily, attracting attention dreadfully: "A lady in the St. John's Wood Road laughed a silvery laugh that set his teeth on edge. But, even to changing his tie in the taxi looking-glass, he managed it. But when he stepped out of the taxi, and the metamorphosis was apparent to the driver, there were wild and whirling words. The taximan regarded him as a conjurer who might produce a rabbit from anywhere at any moment. And my friend said he never saw even a taximan who in spite of an enormous tip, counted and tested his money more elaborately."—Times of Ceylon London Cor.

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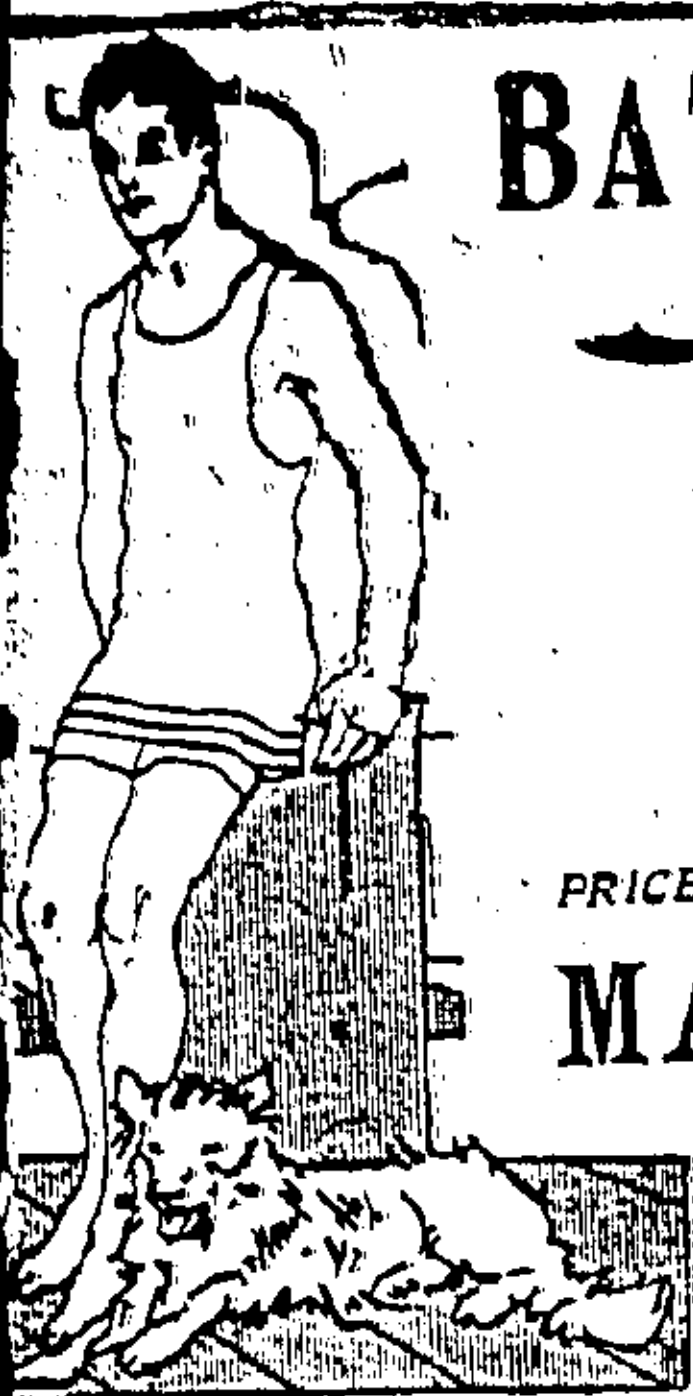
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JAPANESE WITH A DAGGER.

At the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, Sergeant Shattain of No. 2 Police Station charged a Japanese, named Kiyoshi, an employee of the Denoske Shirai Confectionery, of No. 63 Praya East, with the theft of a quantity of candy, chemicals, baking powder etc., the property of his employer, and the unlawful possession of a dagger. The defendant denied the first charge, but pleaded "guilty" to the other, stating that he brought the dagger from Japan. Sergeant Shattain said that in a statement he made after arrest, the defendant said he bought the goods mentioned in the first charge from Honda and Company. Enquiries had been made at that shop, where the defendant's story was denied. Denoske Shirai, the proprietor of the confectionery shop, said that as the result of certain information given him by a Chinese employee, he went to a house in Spring Garden Lane, and there a Japanese woman pointed out a kerosene tin in which were the things the defendant was alleged to have stolen. The defendant was in the house at the time. Witness handed him over to the Police. The Chinese employee said that last night, he saw defendant go out carrying a kerosene tin in his hand. In the tin were several bottles of chemicals, a few tins of baking powder and some candy. Feeling suspicious witness told his master about it. At this

stage, Sergeant Shattain told the Magistrate that the dagger which formed the subject of the second charge against the defendant, was not found on his person at the time of his arrest, but was handed to the Police by the complainant, who said that he had had a quarrel with the defendant sometime ago, who threatened him with the knife. Several people struggled with defendant and succeeded in disarming him. The complainant said that the dagger had been in his possession ever since that night. The Sergeant said that they received no report about the quarrel at the time. The first he heard about it was when the defendant was arrested last night. The defendant when asked what he had to say, told the Magistrate that he paid for all the things he was alleged to have stolen. Some he bought from Chinese shops and others from his employer's shop. His Worship said that in view of the fact that it was admitted that there had been a quarrel between the complainant and the defendant, it was quite possible the first charge was made up affair to get the defendant in trouble. Sergeant Shattain agreed and said he would not press the charge. His Worship convicted the man for the possession of the dagger, on his own admission, and sentenced him to pay a fine of \$25 or in default, a month's hard labour.

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The Admiral Line are just in receipt of telegraphic advices from their head office at Seattle that the U.S. Shipping Board has now definitely allotted them five of the large new passenger steamers for operation in the Trans-Pacific service between Seattle and the usual Far East ports of call—Yokohama, Kobe, Shanghai, Manila and Hongkong. It has been definitely stated that the new passenger service will be inaugurated this Fall, the first steamer to sail from Seattle in October.

There has been considerable comment during the past few months regarding the new passenger services to be established by the Shipping Board and it was hoped that the new steamers would be ready to place in service this summer. With the five large steamers that have been allotted to them the Admiral Line will be able to maintain a very frequent service and this will undoubtedly relieve the present congestion of passenger traffic to a great extent, and be just in time to take care of the large tourist business this Fall and Winter.

The steamers assigned for this service are the latest type, of passenger vessels, with excellent accommodations, exceptionally large and conveniently arranged cabins, modernly equipped throughout, in fact the latest thing in modern passenger steamers. The particulars of the steamers are as follows:

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It will be noted that the beam is exceptionally large for steamers of this length. The purpose of this is to prevent, as much as possible, the usual rolling, thus making the voyage much more comfortable for passengers. On ships of this beam excessive rolling in heavy weather is prevented. The Admiral Line are now making arrangements for their passenger office location in the central district, which will be very convenient for all passengers, and announcement will be made shortly of the location.

The names of the steamers assigned have not yet been announced, but it is expected that this information

"CHINA" HERE CHINA MAIL SHIP IN PORT.

The a.s. "China," of the China Mail Steamship Company, arrived in port at about 4 p.m. yesterday with a large number of passengers from San Francisco and way ports for Hongkong, including Mr. W. Alexander, for Hongkong; Mr. W. Alexander, Mr. Frank W. Beards, Mr. Chin Poy Sing, Mr. C. O'Connell, Mrs. Alice Cooper, Mr. E. F. Colbath, Miss Tina Cornelson, Mr. Saragachar Das, Mr. Paul de Oberrio, Rev. and Mrs. W. Dicks and infant, Mrs. Josephine D. Ford, Master Robert A. D. Ford, Master G. D. Ford, Mr. C. P. Fay, Mr. N. Oude, Mr. Geo Hong Tuck, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hall, Mr. Leo Thick Jew, Mr. Louis Sharo Fon, Mr. T. W. Engelman, Mr. Chas. Chen, Mrs. C. H. Harlan, Miss Judith Harlan, Master Maxwell Harlan, Master Paul Harlan, Master Richard Harlan, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Hertzner, Miss Helen Hoepfner, Mr. Ben Houston, Mrs. J. P. Jansen, Mr. W. E. Jones, Mr. N. Stevens, Master Samuel Stickney, Mr. C. T. Surridge, Captain C. E. Tarnley, Honorable Lee Kwei Shu, Mr. James A. Prentice, Mr. T. W. Lillywhite, Mr. W. H. Beckers, a Mr. Henry Low, from Shanghai—Mr. P. L. H. R. Loo, Mr. P. H. Hong, T. Y. Ching, H. N. Donning and wife, B. Anderson, F. Rodriguez, A. O'Kea, C. Tain, J. P. Harrison, and T. Jorgie son.

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The a.s. "China," is commanded by Capt. C. J. Lancaster, and is 10,200 tons, speed 18 knots. She sails at noon on Sunday May 23rd for San Francisco on another fast trip, making the run in 20 days.

There is expected to be one more of these fast trips after the present, and then the "China" will probably resume her regular run, calling at usual ports and making the trip as formerly, in about 27 days.

as well as schedules, etc., will be received very shortly.

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MANSLAUGHTER.

Manslaughter was the charge preferred against a Chinese named Mok Yuk Sau before Mr. Justice Gompertz, the acting Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

A plea of not guilty having been entered, the following jury was empanelled: T. G. Stokes, H. Ram, T. Ramsay, S. Musso, W. Ross, H. R. Sequeira and F. X. M. da Silva.

The Attorney General the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., said that the charge arose out of a quarrel in June last year. The accused was in the habit of frequenting Jardine's Wharf at West Point and occasionally slept there. Sai Mr., the deceased, with his wife lived on the first floor of No. 318 Queen's Road, West. About 7 p.m. on the day in question a friend came to the deceased and informed him that he had been assaulted and falsely accused of the theft of some shoes from Jardine's Wharf. Accompanied by his wife, the deceased went downstairs to speak to the prisoner who had made the accusation. A quarrel arose and the accused was seen to have something bright in his hand with which he stabbed the deceased.

In his statement to the Police Magistrate, continued the Attorney General, the accused stated that he returned to the country in the 12th moon in the year before last—about January or February 1919—and that he only came back to Hongkong this year. The accused asserted that he was ignorant of what had happened and was arrested by a revenue officer who searched him for opium. Accused claimed, added the Attorney General, that he went away before the deceased died, but the prosecution suggested that he went away at a later date than that and in consequence of the Police search for him.

Eleven witnesses were called for the prosecution.

At the conclusion of the case for the prosecution the accused reiterated his denial of the charge.

A verdict of "guilty" was returned and sentence of ten years' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

JAIL MURDERER TO DIE.

Sentence of death was passed by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, yesterday afternoon, on Li Hoi Shing who was found guilty of the murder of Warder Speed in Victoria Jail on December 15.

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IMPUDENT TREFTS.

A Chinese youth, 19 years of age, at one time employed as an apprentice in a tailor's shop in Wellington Street, was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with the theft of a pair of shoes belonging to Mr. Rodenfauser of the M.M., a resident of the Hongkong Hotel; and larceny of a quantity of knives and forks, the property of the Hotel. Sub-Detective Inspector Wills who prosecuted, said that the defendant formerly used to be sent by his employer to the various hotels to receive orders from and take measurements of customers. After a while, the defendant decided to set up in business on his own. He accordingly disappeared from the shop some three months ago with a quantity of his master's property. Since then, he had lived a continuous life of crime. In spite of the fact that the defendant was no longer in the tailor's employ, he continued to go to the various hotels and posing as a representative of the shop received orders. For a while, he carried on his deception undetected. On the 16th instant, however, soon after the defendant had called, one of the "boys" employed at the Hongkong Hotel, discovered some knives and forks were missing and suspected him, but having no proof, he could not do anything. On the following day, the defendant again visited the hotel, and soon after his departure, Mr. Rodenfauser complained that he had lost a pair of shoes which he had put outside the door of

WITNESS ILL.

A further adjournment was made this morning in the case in which Chun Chak, Chu Cheung, and Chan Shang were charged at the Criminal Sessions with having committed gang robbery in Kowloon City on April 23.

Yesterday afternoon the Puane Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, granted an adjournment until this morning as the principal witness, who had been taken ill on Sunday morning, contrary to the prediction of the doctor, was unable to attend court.

This morning an application by the Crown Solicitor, Mr. Jacks, for an adjournment until Thursday week, on the ground that the witness was still too ill to appear in Court, was granted.

his room to be cleaned. Satisfied now that the defendant was the culprit, the hotel "boy" went to Wei Tuk Lane, where the defendant was known to be living, and there taxed him with the theft of the shoes. The defendant admitted it, and handed the hotel "boy" a pawn ticket relating to the shoes. The "boy" then telephoned to the Central Police Station, and he (Insp. Wills) went to the hotel and took the defendant into his custody. Asked what he had to say, the defendant admitted his guilt and pleaded for a chance. His Worship passed sentence of six weeks' hard labour.

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the board. There can be no doubt that the varying rates of exchange in all parts of the world must have caused the board very great anxiety, and that they have given very thoughtful and careful consideration to the business of this bank. (Hear, hear.) I have very much pleasure in supporting the resolution.

The Chairman: I am very much obliged to the shareholder who has just spoken for his remarks. The motion was then put and carried unanimously.

The Chairman: I have now to propose "That a dividend at the rate of 14 p.c. per annum for the half-year ended 31 December last, together with a bonus of 25 p.c. per share, both free of income-tax, be now declared payable on and after the 16th inst."

Mr. Thomas Cuthbertson: I beg to second the resolution.

The Rev. Herbert A. Raynes: I do not wish to oppose the resolution in any way; I only desire to ask whether it would be possible for the dividend warrants to make plain the amount represented by income-tax. The present form, giving minute calculations, particularly as it is complicated by some consideration given from India itself—makes it very difficult for those of us who are not constantly dealing with finance to know quite how to make the return to the assessor, and if a simpler form could be devised I for one should be grateful.

The Chairman: I think that is a question for our secretary to deal with, and as he is present I have no doubt he will take notice of your wishes and endeavor to meet them. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman: The next resolution, which I also beg to propose, is "That Mr. James Maxwell Grant Propriet be elected a director."

Mr. William Foot Mitchell: I have much pleasure in seconding the resolution.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

The Chairman: I now propose that our old friend, Sir Alfred Dent, who retires by rotation, be re-elected a director. I am sure we shall pass this resolution unanimously, for Sir Alfred Dent is one of our oldest and best friends. (Hear, hear.)

Sir Duncan Carmichael: I have pleasure in seconding that.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Sir Alfred Dent, K.C.M.G.: I am much obliged to you, gentlemen, for my reelection.

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Mr. Lewis A. Wallace: I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

The Chairman: My next duty is to call upon shareholders to propose resolutions with regard to increasing the fees of the auditors and their election for the ensuing year, and I have to state that both Mr. David Charles Wilson and Mr. Henry Croughton Knight Stileman present themselves for reelection. I should like to say with regard to the fees, that they were increased from £500 to £550 in 1913. Since that date our business, as you know, has certainly doubled, and this entails a staff of the auditors' clerks being here for the best part of the year. They are in and out here every month, and I happen to know that the cost of that staff is just about what we pay our auditors, so that they practically have no remuneration for themselves after paying their own staff. I am sure that is not a position which this bank ought to be in, and I therefore suggest that whoever makes the proposition should move that the auditors' remuneration in the future be £1,000 per annum. I only throw that out as a suggestion.

Mr. B. R. Glover: Mr. Chairman, I beg to move: "That the auditors' fees be increased from £550 per annum to £1,000 per annum, with retrospective effect for the past year, to be divided as they may agree."

Mr. Always Turner seconded the motion.

Mr. H. B. Henley: I should like to say that I think the proposition to increase the auditors' fee is a very good and proper one, but to make it retrospective is in my opinion, a mistake. A year ago I suppose we voted that their remuneration was to be for the year under review, and I do not think we should alter that resolution.

The Chairman: Well, in ordinary cases I should say you are perfectly right, but this is not an ordinary case. As you can see from your report, the business for the past twelve months has increased to the extent of several millions sterling. We did not anticipate, when we fixed the auditors' fees at £550, that they would have at least 50 p.c. more work to do; and, as you know, all salaries in regard to staff have increased even in the last twelve months. (The cost of living has increased, and therefore the cost to the auditors has increased, and although I do not say it is a good precedent—it may be a

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in the future be £1,000 per annum. I

only throw that out as a suggestion.

Mr. B. R. Glover: Mr. Chairman,

I beg to move: "That the auditors'

fees be increased from £550 per annum

to £1,000 per annum, with retrospective

effect for the past year, to be divided

as they may agree."

Mr. Always Turner seconded the

motion.

Mr. H. B. Henley: I should like

to say that I think the proposition to

increase the auditors' fee is a very

good and proper one, but to make it

retrospective is in my opinion, a

mistake. A year ago I suppose we

voted that their remuneration was to

be for the year under review, and I

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HONGKONG, 19th MAY, 1930

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

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London T. T. rate 4 1/2

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Marine Insurance ... 134 1/2

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DONG TOY, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 2, 1930.

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J. CHANG K. Y., Manager.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 7, 1928.

NOTICE

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK-DAY.

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

8.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

11.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

12.30 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.

SHIPS DUE TO ARRIVE.

FROM EUROPE.

The s.s. **TRINITY**, due here May 18th, and sails for Shanghai May 20.
The s.s. **HELENUS**, due here May 21st, and sails for Shanghai June 1.
The s.s. **TALITHYBIUS**, due here June 1st, and sails for Japan June 3.
The s.s. **PAR LINO**, due here June 2nd, and sails for Japan via Shanghai June 1.
The s.s. **AGAPENOR**, due here June 4th, and sails for Japan June 5.
The s.s. **ELPENOR**, due here June 14th, and sails for Shanghai June 15.
The s.s. **DEUCALION**, due here June 18th, and sails for Shanghai June 19.
The s.s. **THESEUS**, due here June 24th, and sails for Shanghai and Hankow June 25.
The s.s. **LOMEDON**, due here June 26th, and sails for Japan June 27.
The s.s. **DEMODOCUS**, due here June 27th, and sails for Shanghai June 28.
The s.s. **PYRRHUS**, due here June 28th, and sails for Shanghai June 29.
The s.s. **ALCINOUS**, due here July 3rd, and sails for Shanghai and Taku July 4.
The s.s. **HELLEROPHON**, due here July 14th, and sails for Japan July 15.
The s.s. **NINCHOU**, due here July 18th, and sails for Shanghai and Japan July 19.
The s.s. **STIEGERWALD**, due here July 25th, and sails for Japan July 26.

FROM AMERICA.

The s.s. **NANKING**, left San Francisco April 26th, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama and Shanghai on May 26.
The s.s. **SHIMO MARU**, left San Francisco May 1st, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila on June 5.
The s.s. **ECUADOR**, leaves San Francisco May 1st, and is due here via Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai and Manila June 5.
The s.s. **TYNDAROS**, leaves Seattle May 14th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe and Manila June 15.
The s.s. **PERSIA MARU**, leaves San Francisco May 15th, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki June 5.
The s.s. **KOREA MARU**, leaves San Francisco June 5th, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki July 5.
The s.s. **COLUMBIA**, leaves San Francisco May 25th, and is due here via Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai and Manila July 7.
The s.s. **NILE**, leaves San Francisco June 20th, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama, Nagasaki and Shanghai July 17.
The s.s. **UNION**, leaves Seattle June 24th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, and Manila July 25.
The s.s. **TENYO MARU**, leaves San Francisco June 30th, and is due here via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila Aug. 1.
The s.s. **VENEZUELA**, leaves San Francisco June 26th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, Shanghai and Manila on Aug. 4.
The s.s. **PROTEUS**, leaves Seattle July 11th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe and Manila August 16.

FROM AUSTRALIA.

The s.s. **ST. ALBANS**, leaves Melbourne June 1st, and is due here via Sydney, Brisbane, Townsville, Cairns, Thursday Island, Sandakan and Manila June 30.

FROM CANADA.

The s.s. **MONTAGLE**, left Vancouver April 30th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on May 26.
The s.s. **EMPEROR OF ASIA**, left Vancouver May 6th, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila on May 27.
The s.s. **EMPEROR OF RUSSIA**, leaves Vancouver June 2nd, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila on June 24.
The s.s. **EMPEROR OF JAPAN**, leaves Vancouver June 23rd, and is due here via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on July 15.

FROM CALCUTTA.

The s.s. **ARRATON APCAR**, left Calcutta April 25, and is due here May 11.
The s.s. **JAPAN**, left Calcutta May 4th, and is due here May 19.
The s.s. **TORILLA**, left Calcutta May 5th, and is due here May 20.

FROM MANILA.

The s.s. **TYNDAROS**, leaves Manila June 13th, and is due here June 15th, and leaves for Seattle via Kobe and Yokohama, June 24.
The s.s. **UNION**, leaves Manila July 25th, and is due here July 27th, and leaves for Seattle via Kobe and Yokohama, Aug. 5.
The s.s. **PROTEUS**, leaves Manila August 17th, and is due here Aug. 19th, and sails for Seattle via Kobe and Yokohama August 26.
The s.s. **TYNDAROS**, leaves Manila Sept. 9th, and is due here Sept. 11th, and sails for Seattle via Kobe and Yokohama Sept. 21.

FROM SINGAPORE.

The s.s. **EURYMACHUS**, leaves Singapore May 15th, and is due here May 25th, and sails for New York via Shanghai and the Panama Canal May 26.

FROM JAPAN.

The s.s. **TELEMACHUS**, leaves Yokohama May 8, and is due here via Kobe and Shanghai May 23.
The s.s. **TAKADA**, leaves Kobe May 16th, and is due here May 24.
The s.s. **PA-TERN**, leaves Kobe May 17th, and is due here May 24th, and leaves for Australia, via ports on May 25.
The s.s. **STENTOR**, leaves Yokohama May 13th, and is due here via Kobe May 20th, and sails for London, Amsterdam and Hamburg, via Singapore, May 27.
The s.s. **NOVARA**, leaves Yokohama May 17th, and is due here via Japan ports and Shanghai May 27.
The s.s. **KIDDERPORE**, leaves Yokohama May 21st, and is due here May 29th, and leaves for Australia, via ports on May 30.
The s.s. **ARRATON APCAR**, leaves Kobe May 28th, and is due here June 1.

THE FRUIT SEASON.

Bowel complaint is sure to be prevalent during the fruit season. Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand. It may save a life. For sale by all Chemists and druggists.

WEATHER REPORT.

May 19th, 12h. 05m. - No returns from Japan and India.
Pressure has decreased slightly at all reporting stations; there is no apparent change in distribution since yesterday.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 30.88 inches, against an average of 17.86 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on May 20th.
1. - Hongkong to Gap. Rock. E. and S.E. winds, moderate; fair.
2. - Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.
3. - South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock. The same as No. 1.
4. - South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MAY 19, 1920. - a.m.

Station.	Hour.				(Wind.)	
		Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction. Force.	Weather.
Victoria Peak	8 a.	29.85	63	62	SE	1
Namuro	8 a.	"	"	"	"	"
Hakodate	"	"	"	"	"	"
Tokio	"	"	"	"	"	"
Kochi	"	"	"	"	"	"
Nagasaki	"	"	"	"	"	"
Karolima	"	"	"	"	"	"
Oshima	"	"	"	"	"	"
Naha	"	"	"	"	"	"
Ishijima	"	"	"	"	"	"
Bonin Island	"	"	"	"	"	"
Yokohama	8 a.	29.85	63	62	SE	1
Kanaw	"	"	"	"	"	"
Ichang	"	"	"	"	"	"
Kiukiang	"	"	"	"	"	"
Changsha	"	"	"	"	"	"
Shanghai	"	29.82	59	55	E	1
Swatow	"	29.87	75	65	SE	2
Chungking	"	29.83	67	64	NE	2
Amoy	6 a.	29.85	73	66	SE	1
Swatow	"	"	"	"	"	"
Taihook	"	29.76	70	96	"	0
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Kanton	"	29.83	73	73	"	0
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Pescadorez	"	29.81	75	"	N.W.	2
Canton	"	29.75	77	95	E	2
Hongkong	"	29.72	76	98	E	2
Cap Rack	"	29.77	"	"	E	2
Macao	"	29.74	77	98	SE	4
Wuchow	9 a.	"	"	"	"	"
Pakhoi	"	"	"	"	"	"
Hoihow	"	"	"	"	"	"
Phu Lien	7 a.	"	"	"	"	"
Tourane	"	"	"	"	"	"
C. St. James	"	"	"	"	"	"
Apurri	6 a.	"	"	"	"	"
Dagupan	"	29.79	77	92	"	0
Manila	"	29.78	77	92	"	0
Legaspi	"	29.80	81	89	SW	1
Tacloban	"	29.80	81	89	"	4
Surigao	"	29.80	81	89	"	4
Guam	6 a.	29.82	"	"	"	0
Labuan	4.30	28.31	30	78	SW	0